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MOON.

Charmed into silence lay
  The forest, dimly lit;
No wind that summer day
  Moved the least leaf of it.

No choric branches stirred
  Its calm profound and deep,
Nor voice of any bird,
  But silence dreamed like sleep.

Like dew upon the grass
  It fell upon my soul;
Loosed it to soar and pass
  Beyond the stars' control.

Vague memories it woke,
  Shapes far too frail for touch;
And then the silence broke;
  Lest I should learn too much.
—Frederic Manning, in the Atlantic.

A Misunderstanding

"You really think this of me, Jim?" Betty grasped the back of the chair against which she was leaning and her face whitened perceptibly. She had known all the morning that this moment would come, the moment when Jim must question her as to where she had been the evening before and with whom she had spent the time. As she was not at liberty to give a full explanation her heart sank within her.

"Betty, what else can I think? You admit you went motoring with Captain Carstairs and that owing to the car breaking down you did not reach home until 2 o'clock in the morning. Do you expect me to believe that? Is not it proof enough?"

"No, Jim, it's not."

"Then I don't know what is. Directly I'm safely out of the way you go off with your lover and——"

"Stop, Jim; that's enough." And Betty with the haughtiest of looks on her lovely little face walked slowly out of the room, although she felt as though her heart would break.

Jim, smothering an oath, gazed after the dainty little figure with a frown upon his face.

Could it be possible that his Betty, the girl whom he had chosen above all the world for his wife, was guilty? Yet had she not said she went motoring with Captain Carstairs and did not circumstances look black against her?

Unable to bear the silence longer and too proud to go to Betty to hear the full story from her lips, Jim mechanically put on his coat and hat, banged the door loudly behind him and went in the direction of his club.

Meanwhile Betty upstairs was sitting in her boudoir gazing into the

"BETTY, YOU'RE A BRICK."

fire with eyes that saw nothing. The banging of the front door roused her from her reverie, and rising from her chair she flung her arms above her head and sighed wearily.

"Heigh-ho! This comes of playing the good fairy to one's friends," she thought. She wondered if Jim would have said those unkind things had he known the circumstances? Would he have accused her of going off with Captain Carstairs if he had known that he was his own sister's fiance. Poor old Jim! How angry he was. Yet she would forgive him if only because he was ——

Here Betty's train of thought was interrupted by a gentle tapping at the door, and a very pretty voice asked: "May I come in, dear?"

"By all means, Joan," answered Betty, rising to meet her friend.

"I say, Betty," began Joan, "you were a trump last night to bring Arthur over. Do you know that dad is really coming round at last. After you both were gone he even said, 'Well, after all, Carstairs can't be such a bad fellow or Betty would not be friends with him.' So you see, dear, I've just come to thank you again for all you've done for us both." And impulsively Joan put her arms round her friend's neck and gave her a frantic hug.

When her enthusiasm had somewhat abated Betty gently pushed her friend away, and placing her hands upon her shoulders said, "Joan, dear; I'm glad I've been able to help you; but do you know my help has been dearly bought."

"Dearly bought, Betty! What do you mean?"

"Simply this, dear, that Jim has found out I've been motoring with Arthur, and last night as we were coming home a most unfortunate thing happened. After we had gone about a couple of miles something went wrong with the car. Try as he would, Arthur could not make it go. At last, in desperation, he asked me if I would mind waiting alone while he tried to find a garage, as it was no good wasting more time over the wretched thing. I felt so desperate that I did not seem to mind anything. After what seemed to me an eternity Arthur returned accompanied by a mechanic, and though the repairs were done with the utmost speed the delay was so great that we did not get back until 2 o'clock this morning. Naturally, of course, Jim was furious, and as I was bound to secrecy I could not give a full explanation or defend myself, and so Jim accused me of of having a lover — and

Here Betty broke down and, hiding her face in the cushions, sobbed as though her heart would break.

In a few seconds, however, she had recovered, and, rising from the couch, held out a shaking hand to Joan.

"Never mind, dear, no doubt it will come out all right, and some day I shall be able to explain to Jim."

"Not some day, Betty, but to-day—this very evening when Jim comes home to dinner. How could you think I would purchase my happiness at the price of yours?" And Joan bent over her friend, giving her a loving kiss.

"I don't suppose Jim will be home to dinner, Joan."

"Then shall I stay with you, dear?"

"Thanks very much, Joan, but if you don't mind I'd rather be alone. You see," with a brave attempt at a smile, "Jim might come home and then, you dear impulsive child, 'you would simply go for him.'"

"Of course I should, Betty, and why not?"

"No, dear, not yet. First get your people to like Arthur and then things will be easier. You know Jim thinks him too frivolous and hardly the sort of husband for his sister, but I feel sure when they once know him they will alter their opinion."

"What a staunch friend you are, Betty, and how Jim must love you."

"I used to think he did, but now I'm afraid he will find it hard to love and trust me again."

"No he won't, dear, for I give you full leave to tell him everything. How good you've been both to Arthur and myself, and that it was only your love for me that made you take him up."

"But, dear, do you think it's wise just at this time when things are shaping themselves?"

"Wise or not, my sweetest of Bettys, you are to do it. So before I go give me your promise that everything shall be explained."

Reluctantly Betty promised and Joan rose to take her leave.

Left alone Betty's thoughts turned again to Jim and to wondering whether he really intended her to spend the evening alone, the first, by the way, she had spent by herself since her marriage.

Presently a soft little smile flitted across her face and her eyes shone.

"I know I will put on his favorite gown and wear his favorite flowers just to show him how much I wish to be friends," and Betty, with a pleasurable excitement taking possession of her, commenced her toilette. When everything was complete the reflection in her mirror gave forth a dainty figure clad in the softest gray with a bunch of roses at her waist. With a little sigh Betty turned to go downstairs when she ran right into her husband's arms.

"Jim, how how you startled me!"

"Betty!" was all Jim could say as he glanced at the pretty face in front of him.

"Betty," Jim repeated, "come into my den. I want to speak to you."

With heart beating almost to suffocation, Betty followed Jim into his den and then closed the door.

Seating himself in a big arm-chair, he drew Betty into his arms and kissed her passionately on the mouth.

"But, Jim!" gasped Betty, when she had recovered her breath, "I thought you were angry?"

"So I was, girlie, but I was also a fool to imagine such a thing about you."

"But what has made you alter your opinion?" said Betty, more bewildered than ever.

"Well, Sweetheart, when I left you this afternoon I felt mad with rage and didn't care where I went or what I did. After wandering about for a time I landed at the club and the first person I ran against was Carstairs. He would have passed me by, but I buttonholed him and got the whole truth out of him. I rather begin to like him, after all, and if he will only settle down shall not mind him as an addition to the family. He told me what a loyal friend you had been to him, when luck seemed dead against him and that it was through your influence the pater seemed more favorably disposed towards him. Betty you're a brick, and I'm proud of my little wife."

"Jim!"

"Sweetheart!"

Betty drew her husband's face close to hers and whispered softly:

"You'll never doubt me again?"

"Never, my own Betty," and he drew his wife into his arms and once more kissed her.

Too Hasty.

"Now that the baseball season's over——" sighed Henry Jawlittle.

"Perhaps," interrupted Mrs. Jawlittle, "you will put up the storm door, build a coal bin in the cellar, clean the furnace, put up a fruit shelf, take in the fly screens and repair that snow shovel."

"I was about to say," spoke up Jawlittle, "that I would consider your demand for a new set of furs."

And then Mrs. Jawlittle regretted that she had spoken.—Detroit Free Press.

Dangerous Ground.

"Allow me to congratulate you on your speech——"

"Don't do that," replied the young member of the diplomatic service. "If I have said anything calculated to attract notice there is no telling how much trouble it may make me."—Washington Star.

Nothing lowers a man so much in the estimation of his friends as being always on his uppers.

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NOTED LONDON BEAUTY TO WED.

MISS MARGERY CUNARD.

The engagement of the noted London beauty, Miss Margery Cunard, to Robert V. Harcourt of London, has been announced. Miss Cunard is the granddaughter of the founder of the famous Cunard steamship lines, Sir Samuel Cunard, and the daughter of Sir Cunard's second son. Mr. Harcourt is in the British Parliament. "Bobby" Harcourt, as he is called for short, is a half-brother of Lulu Harcourt, the Minister of Works in the present English government, and husband of Miss Mary Ethel Burns of New York. Mrs. Harcourt, Sr., was also an American, the daughter of J. L. Motley, at one time American Minister to London, and author of the famous history of the Dutch republic.

BATTLES AGAINST WASPS.

The Government Comes to the Relief of New York Fruit Growers.

The operations of the fruit growers in the State of New York are seriously hampered by the wasps, which are very destructive to the trees as well as the fruit, and in order to overcome the depredations of the insects the government has sent a representative into the fruit district to investigate the matter and to endeavor to arrive at some remedy. He is Henry T. Van Ouken, who has established a camp in the heart of the Tonawanda fruit belt.

During the last fifteen years, says the Philadelphia Record, this man has given much time to the study of the destructive work done by the wasps in this country as well as Europe. "To say that wasps are pests is putting it mildly," he said. "In the fruit sections of the country they have done far more harm than the gypsy moths. Not only do the yellow jackets sting the fruit, buf eventually kill any trees in which they erect a habitation. A conservative estimate of the damage done by wasps in California last summer is something over $500,000. And in that State wasps practically live on figs.

"Among the heaviest losers from the depredations of wasps are the farmers of upper New York State and Ohio. For some reason the country about Buffalo and Tonawanda seems to be literally alive with yellow jackets. Because of this I have decided to devote my time next summer in determining a practical method of exterminating wasps. I have already discovered one scheme which may prove to be very effective. This is a pink-colored, high-power electric light, which is to be flashed upon trees where the wasps rest at night. According to the reports of several prominent Massachusetts agriculturists these peculiar colored rays kill the insects instantly."

EXCUSED, WITH REASON.

Judges listen to all sorts of excuses from men wishing to avoid jury duty, but seldom to one the pathos of which is as touching as in the case of a frontiersman who rode four hundred and twenty miles to state it. The incident occurred in California several years ago.

When Clerk Neale was calling the roll of the grand jurymen in department number one he came to the name of Joe Mandivil. At the sound of his name Mr. Mandivil stood up. Tall, with slightly bent shoulders and with an air about him that bespoke the hardy frontiersman, he made a striking figure in the court room.

"Your honor, said he, I should like to make a statement."

The court signified permission, and Mr. Mandivil continued: "I live away up the Colorado River, a long ways above Picacho Landing."

A few skipper young men about the court room smiled audibly, but the frontiersman ran his hands through his hair and continued:

"Fact is, it's four hundred and twenty miles the way I have to come from my home to this city, and when I received word that I was summoned I didn't have the money for the trip and was compelled to borrow fifty dollars at two per cent a month to pay my fare.

"I've got three little children out there on the desert, and they're all alone, for my wife died three months ago, and I ought to be home looking after those kids right now."

No one thought of laughing. Even those well-dressed youths sobered up most surprisingly and all listened intently while the widower finished his story.

"I've had a little trouble lately," he said, simply, "and a lot of assessment work on some mines needs to be done. I ought to be there to do it, and I'd like to be excused."

"I guess you may be," said the court, and so Joe Mandivil went home to his three motherless children out on the desert.

The Compass.

The Chinese seem to have used the compass or its equivalent at a very early date to guide them in their journeys across the vast plains of Tartary. They made little images, whose arms, moved by a freely suspended magnet, pointed continually toward the pole. An apparatus of this kind was presented to ambassadors from Cochin China to guide them in their homeward journey some 1,100 years before our era. The knowledge thus possessed seems to have gradually traveled westward by means of the Arabs, though it was fully 2,000 years afterward before it was fairly applied among the peoples of western Europe.—New York American.

No Excuse.

They tell the story of a juror in the federal grand jury now in session who came to United States Attorney French and asked to be excused from serving, as he was hard of hearing.

"You remind me of another grand juror who went to the judge and asked to be excused," said Mr. French.

"On what ground?" inquired the judge.

"I'm deaf in one ear," responded the grand juror.

"That's all right," answered the judge. "The grand jury hears only one side of a case."—Boston Record.

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The Terminal wishes its hosts of readers a Merry Christmas.

It is rumored that because of old high grades Santa Claus made his proverbial visit last night in an air ship with a parachute drop.

The cheerless idiot blew into the composing room of the Terminal office last Wednesday and delivered himself of a tirade against the growing tendency of the American people to use, without license, the names of prominent men as a handle to the villages and hamlets of these United States. Said he: "It's a deuced shame—now in Ohio they named a 'burg' after Grover Cleveland, and out in 'Billy' Bryan's stamping ground they called a 'dinkey' village after our Immortal Lincoln; in 'Pitchfork' Tilman's stronghold a place is named after founder of 'Bull Durham.' California, he said, has used the names of Vallejo and Benicia to commemorate the names of old Spanish families, but to Richmond is due the worst slur of all—some standpatter went and named the mudhole near Macdonald avenue, after the Senator from Wisconsin!" Disgusted with his talk of nasty things being named after honorable men and noting that his unbalanced mind may not soon gain its equilibrium we seized him by the nape of the neck, piloted him to the sidewalk and closed the door.

City News.

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From San Francisco:

No 14	Davis, Willows, Portland flag	12 28 p m
No 20	Sacramento and Oroville	[illegible] a m
No 84	Bakersfield	[illegible] a m
No 40	Bay Point	[illegible] a m
No 8	Los Angeles Express	11 11 a m
No 24	Tonopah Express	12 [illegible] p m
No 18	Sacramento and Oroville	[illegible] p m
No 50	Stockton, & Fresno	4 [illegible] p m
No 44	Santa Rosa, Calistoga, Livermore	4 49 p m
No 48	Sacramento	5 55 p m
No 182	Stockton Local	8 25 p m
No 148	Bay Point Local Sunday nights	7 52 p m

This time table is subject to change without notice.

For rates and tickets call at the S. P. office at Richmond, where you can get railway and pullman tickets to all points of the United States, Canada, Mexico and all steamship ports. When buying tickets for the points north of Ashland, or east of Sparks, south of Bakersfield, through limited trains will stop at Richmond. Train 48 stops to let off passengers. DAY AND NIGHT TICKET OFFICE.

H. A. STIVER, Agent
Agent S. P. Co.

Southern Pacific is building track for electric service to Macdonald Avenue depot

Santa Fe

This road came to Richmond in 1900, **before** the Standard Oil refinery; expending for wharves at Ferry Point, tunnel, viaducts, depots, round-house, shops, library, warehouses and Terminal tracks about $1,700,000. Like the Southern Pacific, the Santa Fe's main depot is on Macdonald avenue and it, will be of the mission style when moved near First Street, and enlarged.

The Oakland & East Side Railway, the northern terminus of the coast division, is here and will use gasoline motors to connect for San Francisco through the Key Route.

Toward San Francisco

		Richmond	Rich. Ave
No. 3	Chicago Limited	7 35 a m	7 40
No. 31	Stockton Local	10 20 a m	[illegible]
No. 41	Fresno & Sierra Loc	2 20 p m	[illegible]
No. 45	Back Up	4 25 p m	4 30
No. 7	Chicago Overland	4 52 p m	
No. 5	Bakersfield Local	[illegible] p m	[illegible]
No. 43	Riverbank & Sn L'd	8 45 p m	[illegible]
No. 49	Chicago Limited	10 27 p m	10 32

From San Francisco

		Richmond	Rich. Ave
No. 6	Bakersfield Local	[illegible] a m	[illegible]
No. 32	Stockton & Sierra L'd	10 45 a m	[illegible]
No. 44	Stockton Local	2 15 p m	2 14
No. 42	Fresno Local	4 [illegible] p m	[illegible]
No. 48	Back Up	6 [illegible] p m	6 25
No. 8	Chicago Overland	6 10 p m	
No. 4	Chicago Limited	1 [illegible] p m	10 47

All main line trains except Nos. 7 and 8 stop at Richmond Avenue; add 5 minutes to the time schedule of Macdonald Avenue depot for trains to the ferry and subtract 5 minutes for time of trains from the ferry.

This time table is subject to change without notice. W. B. TRULL, Agent

The Santa Fe has in contemplation a few changes on the main line and ferry service

OAKLAND & EAST SIDE RY

(A., T. & S. F. Ry—COAST LINES)

This line connects with Key Route.

From Richmond. —West—

	Rich. Ave	Richmond	Sixth St
No 101 Local		7 [illegible]	7 [illegible] a m
No 303 Local		7 [illegible]	7 [illegible] a m
No 311 Local	[illegible]		[illegible] a m
No 331 Local	[illegible]	[illegible]	1[illegible] 25 a m
No 313 Local	12 [illegible]	1[illegible]	12 [illegible] p m
No 341 Local	1 [illegible]	[illegible]	2 [illegible] p m
No 317 Local	3 05	[illegible]	[illegible] p m
No 107 Local		4 18	4 [illegible] p m
No 105 Local		[illegible]	[illegible] p m
No. 109 Local		[illegible]	[illegible] 52 p m

To Richmond. —East—

	Sixth St	Rich. Ave	Richmond
No 106 Local	8 02		8 07 a m
No 310 Local	8 [illegible]	8 53	[illegible] a m
No 332 Local	10 05	1[illegible]	10 15 a m
No 312 Local	12 25	12 25	12 85 p m
No. 314 Local	1 [illegible]	1 43	1 50 p m
No 316 Local	3 05	3 05	3 15 p m
No. 342 Local	4 12		4 45 p m
No 102 Local	[illegible]	5 41	5 50 p m
No 108 Local	8 22		8 25 p m
No 104 Local	10 22		10 25 p m

All trains of the O. & E. S. Ry. stop at Sixth and Ohio; for trains to Oakland, add 3 minutes to schedule of Macdonald Avenue depot and for stops from Oakland subtract 3 minutes.

At Sixth Street Station all trains to and from Richmond and Oakland stop on flag.

W. B. Trull, Agent

The Santa Fe motor cars between Richmond and Oakland are a complete success. Passengers are carried speedily between regular train service. Richmond is the main station and regular stops are made at Richmond Avenue, Sixth Street, and Wall Street near Pulllman shops

EAST SHORE & SUBURBAN RY

—Electric cars. Local service.—

This is the best city electric railway system in the world in a city nine years old. Fare from County Line to Macdonald Ave., and Twentieth St., Richmond, only 5c to Point Richmond, 10c. This is building up the Avenue. Electric cars also stop at the Yard. Ten-minute car service is in force from Twenty-Third street on the Ave to Washington Ave., Pt. Richmond

RICHMOND BELT RAILW'Y

The Belt Line connects Richmond with the commerce of the world through the oceanic and inland shipping with Richmond as a distributing center—via great overland railroads, the Southern Pacific and Santa Fe, which, by traffic arrangements, control the Belt and its wharves, each assuming separate management every alternate year. The largest vessels afloat discharge and take on cargo and meet the Terminal overland railroads, here at deeper water than at San Francisco. The Belt Line also carries factory, warehouse, wharf and other employes, twice daily, via East Shore & Suburban electric cars to and from their homes in Richmond.

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TOWN TALK

Gym.

Mack's gym.

Pulse Bros. will move to the corner of Macdonald.

The R E X with its handsome fixtures presents a chic appearance.

The Terminal today publishes a complete railroad directory of Richmond.

Get your job printing and advertising at the Richmond Terminal printery, "THE OLD RELIABLE."

Mack's gymnasium has opened on Macdonald avenue near Thirteenth, with a splendid equipment.

J. J. Davis may move soon into the "Monadnock" building, corner Macdonald and Seventh street soon.

Funk's new smoke house, profanely called cigar store, is said to be the best fitted in the whole city.

They say that a jewelry store will move into the store vacated by the shoe store that moved across the avenue.

J. M. Posey Esq., of Lodi, representing the Woodbridge Vineyard Association gave the Terminal office a pleasant call Tuesday.

The John Nicholl Company have an important ad in the Terminal which is an important paper, but the real estate advertised is more important than either.

C. B. Evans, one of our leading grocers, is moving his big stock to a more commodious store in the Florin Block. Mr. Evans says the outlook for 1910 is very bright.

W. I. Beeson, the leading hardware man, brother in law of Luther Burbank, has returned from Santa Rosa, where he attended the funeral of his wife's mother, whose demise occurred at 97. Mrs. Beeson accompanied her husband home to their home in Richmond.

L. J. Glavinovich, the popular and genial merchant, has opened business on the corner of Macdonald avenue and Eighth street, formerly known as McLeod Market. Having purchased the business yesterday the new corner grocery is serving its many old and new customers with satisfactory prices. The new store is known as the Golden Gate Cash Grocery.

LINVILLE BROS. & CO.

A. P. Linville and C. E. Linville, who are well known in the business world, will, on February 1, 1910, open a first class Men's Furnishing House, in dry goods and a splendid stock of shoes from factory to man. The stock is all new and complete and no job lots. This big store is fortunate in securing that choice location on Macdonald avenue, opposite the U. S. postoffice. Reserve your orders.

DAD'S RESTAURANT.

E. M. Kister, popular and well known, has opened the restaurant, which is styled "Dad's Restaurant" where every one likes to eat. Dad enjoys the art of binding the soul and body together into one by the means of a good meal. Today a special chicken or turkey dinner greets the welcome guests. All the late sensations of the day and of big deals among the brokers on Wall Street are discussed, and Old Dad Kister observes that while the Pullman stock is going up, his meals go down. Try a meal at Dad's.

A BIG MOVEMENT.

The John Nicholl Company created a sensation in our busy city when they announced the proposed opening of Pullman Avenue eighty feet wide, from Macdonald Avenue toward Stege crossing the Santa Fe and parallel to Twenty-Third street and the Southern Pacific railroad.

This avenue is very central and it is claimed that the property near Macdonald avenue and adjacent to the Pullman Works will be of a much higher value than the property on any other avenue or street in Richmond, and it surely will be if developments continue as proposed by this land company of the pioneers.

The John Nicholl Company have keen foresight. They foresee the location of the civic center, the possibilities of a court house, city hall, U. S. government building, or any what not, for the reason that the corner of Macdonald and Pullman avenues are about the center of the great future city when Stege and San Pablo have joined our busy growing metropolis. These lots will soon be on the market.

AMUSEMENTS.

Richmond is a show and an amusement city.

The Red Men have arranged an entertainment for January 15.

The Eagles will give a grand all night masquerade, New Year's eve, December 31, at which time four beautiful prizes will be given.

PT. RICHMOND OPERA.

Ben T. Dillon, that famous Irish comedian; and a fine acting company of musical comedy stars will be at the Richmond Opera House, one night, "Dec. 30, 1909," in the Big Comedy, "The Irish Prince." *R.F.*

THE GRAND THEATRE.

The Grand Theatre on Macdonald avenue is drawing big houses. The Grand Theatre is putting on some good shows and Oakland visitots are good patrons of the play house.

THE BAL MASQUE.

The Grand Masquerade ball, or Bal Masque, is a leading social event to be given by Pt. Richmond Aerie, No. 354, Fraternal Order of Eagles at Maple hall, New Year's Eve, December 31. On this night the Old Year will die amid mirthful revelry and Old Father Time who will be masked, is slated for one of the several handsome grand prizes.

REMOVAL.

L. Foti has moved his barber shop from 708, to 628 Macdonald Avenue, near Seventh street.

FREE! FREE!

Now is the time to have your photos taken. A large picture free of charge with every dozen cabinets at Dammand's gallery bet 11th and 12th streets on Macdonald avenue.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

MISSION IN JESUS' NAME.
1148 Sixth Street.

Pastor: Rev. A. Verhoeven, the "Cowboy Preacher. Services every night at 7:30 o'clock. Sunday 10:30, 2:30, 7:30 o'lock; Monday, Friday: 2:30 o'clock; Wednesday: 2:30, Prayer for Healing meeting No collections taken. All welcome.

CATHOLIC.

On next Sunday, October 3, and on every Sunday thereafter, until further notice, there will be Mass at A. O. U. W. hall at the corner of Macdonald avenue and Sixth, for the grown up people and children of Richmond, beginning at 10:30, a. m., sharp, by Rev. Father P. M. Griffin. All are invited to attend.

WESLEY METHODIST.

Bank Building, cor. Eighth and Macdonald, up-stairs.

Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.

I. L. Dearborn, Sup't.

Preaching, 11 a. m. and 7:30 p.m.

Junior League, 2 p. m.

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SUNDAY MATINEE 2 to 5 P. M.

ADMISSION 10c

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Number of Bank 238.

BANK OF RICHMOND.

Report of Condition of the Bank of Richmond at the Close of Business on the 16th day of November, 1909.

RESOURCES.

Loans	$ 92,458 98
Overdrafts	2,983.27
Stocks, Bonds and Other Securities	61,348.47
Bank Premises, Furniture and Fixtures	13,431.30
Due from Reserve Banks	98,221.70
Cash on Hand	19,978.60
Checks and Other Cash Items	1,220.05
Other Assets	771.37
Total	$290,413.74

LIABILITIES.

Capital Apportioned	$ 30,000.00
Surplus Apportioned	5,000
Undivided Profits, less Expenses and Taxes Paid	4,812.93
Dividends Unpaid	50.00
Individual Deposits subject to Check	128,000.25
Time Certificates of Deposit	121,904.93
Other Liabilities	645.63
Total	$290,413.74

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA } ss.

William F. Belding, Vice-President; W. Stairley, Cashier, of the above-named Bank, being duly sworn, each for himself, says that the foregoing statement is true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

WM. F. BELDING,
Vice President.
W. STAIRLEY,
Cashier.

Severally subscribed and sworn to by both deponents, the 27th day of November, 1909, before me.

A. ODELL,
Notary Public.

To The Public:

For the past four years this Company has been engaged in compiling an up-to-date Modern Abstract Plant of Contra Costa County, and at the present writing we have all conveyances up to date.

We are prepared to issue promptly and accurately Abstracts of Title, Title to Insurance Policies, and in fact any chain of title pertaining to the records of this County.

This office is equipped with a photograph-machine known as the "Rectigraph," being the first machine used in the State of California. With the same we can furnish at a comparatively small cost, practically certified copies of all maps, deeds, or other recorded instruments.

This Company is backed by $100,000 with which to furnish policies of title insurance on lots in the City of Richmond. We will furnish a Title Insurance Policy on any lot in the City of Richmond, insuring the property to the extent of $1,000, for the same price that an Abstract of Title would cost from the date of partition of the San Pablo Rancho.

As references we herewith submit the following: Title Insurance & Guaranty Company, of 250 Montgomery St., San Francisco, Cal.; The Great Western Power Company, 606 Crocker Building, San Francisco, Cal.; First National Bank of Martinez, Contra Costa County, Cal., and in fact any bank, banker or Attorney at law, of this County.

With the assurance that our work will meet with your approval, we solicit a share of your patronage.

Yours very truly,
MARTINEZ ABSTRACT & TITLE CO.

SUMMONS.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

E. M. BONZAGNI PLAINTIFF VS. Ella Bonzagni Defendant No. 4383. Action brought in the Superior Court of the County of Contra Costa, State of California, and in Complaint filed in the office of of the clerk of said County of Contra Costa.

The People of the State of California send Greeting to Ella Bonzagni Defendant:

You are hereby directed to appear and answer the Complaint in an action entitled as above, brought against you in the Superior Court of the County of Contra Costa, State of California, within ten days after the service on you of this summons—if served within this County; or within thirty days if served elsewhere.

And you are hereby notified that unless you appear and answer as above required, the said Plaintiff—will take judgment against you for any money or damages demanded in the complaint, as arising upon contract or will apply to the Court for any other relief demanded in the complaint.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Superior Cour of the County of Contra Costa, State of California, this 17th day of September A. D. 1909.

{ SEAL SUPERIOR COURT } J. H. WELLS, Clerk.
By G. T. BARKLEY, Deputy Clerk.

L. F. TORMEY AND C. C. BROWN,
Attorneys for Plaintiff.

Notice to Creditors.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE August Anderson, (also sometimes called Gus Anderson), Deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, Administrator of the estate of August Anderson, (also sometimes called Gus Anderson), deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice, to the said Administrator at the law office of A. B. McKenzie, 1010 Main Street, Martinez, Cal., the place of business in all matters connected with said estate.

Dated October 3, 1909.

MARTIN W. JOOST,
Administrator of the estate of August Anderson, (also sometimes called Gus Anderson), Decased.

First Publication Oct 9, 1909.

H. C. Capwell Co.

OAKLAND

EVERYTHING IN READINESS FOR YOU.

Christmas shopping has been held back in some stores because of the rain, but not in this store.

Our aisles are crowded daily and there will be some awful big holes in the holiday stocks as Christmas Eve approaches. So come as soon as you can; you'll always find a hearty welcome here.

DON'T WORRY ABOUT WHAT TO GIVE—WE'VE DONE ALL THAT.

FOR HER we suggest—Gloves, Waists, Umbrellas, Jewelry, Furs, Ribbons, Silk Waistings, Mounted Hair Combs, Neck Wear, Etc.

FOR HIM we would mention Neck Ties, Suspenders in boxes, Handkerchiefs, Umbrellas, Gloves, Fancy Sox, Shaving Mirrors, Mufflers, Etc.

—and if still doubtful, give one of our Glove or Merchandise Orders—good for anything in the store; made out for any amount wished.

All Ladies' Furs 25 per cent off

The season for Furs has hardly more than opened, and here is your opportunity to select from a splendid variety of Fur Pieces and SAVE ONE-FOURTH.

These Furs were more than ordinary values at their regular price and each piece is strictly fashionable. Come and choose some gifts.

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A few useful and acceptable lines that ladies can choose from as satisfactorily as the men.

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The Westerly boundary line will be the city limits.

This avenue is of more importance than Washington Avenue, Macdonald Avenue, Richmond Avenue or Cutting Boulevard and opens up the most valuable property in the County of Contra Costa.

Lots fronting on this avenue will soon be on the market.

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No Friday meal—no luncheon, is complete without Booth's Crescent Brand Sardines

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WORTH KNOWING.

Smoking was a penal offense at one time in Turkey.

It is said there are 1,000,000 Egyptians who can neither read nor write.

There are "blind spots" on the tongue which are insensible to certain flavors.

Last year about thirty thousand persons visited the birthplace of Shakespeare.

An official estimate places the number of dairy cows in the United States at 21,000,000.

Before it is completed a champagne bottle passes through the hands of forty-five workmen.

Turkey has more aged people in proportion to her population than any other European country.

Fifty-five million square miles is the area of the Pacific ocean—the same as the earth's land surface.

French theaters receiving government subsidy are obliged to give a free performance every year.

Canada produces nearly one-half the world's supply of maple sugar, about 18,000,000 pounds annually.

Germany, Great Britain and the United States produce four-fifths of the world's supply of pig iron.

On the coast of Ireland it rains on an average of 208 days in the year; in England about 150 days.

Nearly 80,000,000 gallons of water are used annually to cleanse the streets of the city of London.

Guatemala now ranks next to Brazil in importance as the source of the supply of coffee. Ecuador is rapidly expanding its cocoa production.

After being at liberty for ten days, a canary belonging to T. Kirk of Tiverton England, returned to its cage with another bird of the same species.

The largest grape vine in the world is 120 years old, and is at San Gabriel, Cal., planted by Franciscan friars. The stalk is 1½ feet in diameter, eight feet high, and the branches and foliage cover 5,000 square feet. Its yearly crop of grapes is 2½ tons.

When weighing-in time came at the field day of the Connecticut Fat Men's Association, Dan Wadsworth, the biggest man in Hartford, which was founded by one of his ancestors, sent the beam to 436 pounds at Bristol. He was unanimously elected president of the club.

A splinter that has been driven into the flesh can be removed by the aid of steam. Secure a wide-mouthed bottle and fill it nearly full of hot water, place the injured part over the bottle's mouth, and press slightly. The action thus produced will draw the flesh down, and in a minute or two the steam will extract the splinter, also the inflammation.

ELECTRIC FLASHES.

There are 172 telegraph and 85 telephone offices in Korea.

Woodpeckers are destroying the wooden transmission poles in the West and Southwest.

Chicago is considering plans for an extensive subway system of railways to cost eighty millions.

Greece has practically no coal deposits. Whatever electric power it has comes from water falls.

The Dayton, Ohio, Lighting Company has formed a night study class for instructing its employes on electric subjects.

The Argentine Republic has appropriated $75,000 to establish wireless operations between Buenos Ayres and Ushuaia.

Over a thousand miles of the New York Central Railroad will soon be equipped with telephones for train dispatching.

Sixty-two electric railway lines operate in and about the city of Paris. The annual average of passengers carried is 190,000,000.

The Mont Blanc electric railroad in Switzerland is now in operation to an elevation of 5,495 feet; it will be continued to the summit.

The work of constructing power houses on the Rubicon river in California has started and the Southern Pacific will be electrified.

Electrically driven vacuum cleaners are now to be used on the best trains of the Great Northern in place of the old dust cloth and broom.

USING OLD NEWSPAPERS.

Crushed newspapers are splendid to clean lamp chimneys.

Wet in water they clean out the stove oven splendidly.

They can even be used for an iron holder in an emergency.

Irons not much soiled can be rubbed on old newspapers and thus made fit for use.

To wipe up spilled water or grease from the floor they save the wringing out of a cloth.

Torn in shreds, slightly dampened and scatered over the carpet, they keep down the dust when sweeping.

To clean the sink of its grease and sediment nothing is better, for the greasy paper can be at once burned after use.

Many times folded they will serve as a mat to stand hot and blackened pots or kettles on and thus save soiling the kitchen table.

The kitchen stove is kept bright and clean by rubbing it briskly after the cooking of each meal with old papers and thus saves many polishings.

Out of the Controversy.

"Don't you think the King of Denmark was a little hasty in awarding credit for the discovery of the North Pole?"

"No. He acted with foresight. Today he is about the only man in the world who can claim to have the whole business off his mind."—Washington Star.

The Summer Household.

Ethel—Let's play house.

Tommy—All right; I'll be pa and you can be ma away in the country.—Harper's Bazar.

Rheumatism Will Let Go of You

When you correct the acid condition of your blood on which it depends. It only loosens its hold for a while when you apply lotions or liniments to your aching joints or stiff muscles. The medicine to take is

Hood's Sarsaparilla

which has effected the most wonderful, radical and permanent cures.

In usual liquid form or chocolated tablets called Sarsatabs. 100 doses $1.

Making Room for Hosea.

Dr. Edward Everett Hale was a foe to long sermons. He used to tell a story of a long-winded preacher and the minor prophets, which the Washington Star reprints.

This preacher once preached over an hour on the four greater prophets, and then, when his exhausted congregation thought he was through, he took a long breath, turned a fresh page and leaning over the pulpit, said:

"We now come to the more complex question of the minor prophets. First let us assign to them their proper order. Where, brethren, shall we place Hosea?"

An irascible old gentleman in a back pew rose, took his hat and stick, and said, as he departed:

"Place him here if you want to. I'm going home."

For Old People.

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THAT QUEER BUNCH OF KEYS.

Links Between Peninsula of Florida and Islands of the Antilles.

Stranded at the threshold of the continent a "bunch of keys" lies along the northern and western border of the Strait of Florida, the gateway between the Atlantic and the Gulf; and with the exception of Key West the tide of maritime trade leaves them to one side, shunning their coast of perilous reefs and traditions of shipwreck, with its warning line of lighthouses. About the only persons, except their inhabitants, who have any real knowledge of the keys are a few sportsmen who have cruised and fished in the waters of this veritable angler's paradise.

Geographically, the keys are links between the Peninsula of Florida and the islands of the Antilles. From Elliott's Key at the northeast extremity of the chain it is only fifty miles across the Gulf stream to Nassau in the Bahamas. At the other end Key West is only ninety miles from Havana.

Just how many keys there are all told no one knows exactly, unless it is the mapmakers of the coast survey. There are more than a thousand of them, however; many of the smaller keys mere mangrove swamps, submerged at high tide, but the larger and higher keys covered with thick tropical hummock, in which grow the mahogany, the sapodilla, the mango, fantastic orchids of giant size, and other exotic trees and flowers, as well as lemons, limes, grapefruit, bananas and the like better known tropical fruits. The typical tree of the keys is the cocoa palm.

The people of the keys are as peculiar as their country. Locally known as "Conchs," they are the descendants of English-speaking white settlers who came over from the Bahamas when Florida was a British possession. There is a tradition that the name Conch is derived from the standard of a conch shell on a pole, adopted by the native Bahaman regiment which helped the British garrison to beat off a Spanish attack on Nassau in the seventeenth century, and that the keys were populated by descendants of these fighting Bahamans.

Sponging, fishing and wrecking are the occupations of the modern Conch; agriculture is of minor importance, although the coral rock of the keys when decomposed makes soil as fertile as any in the world. Unfortunately the soil is somewhat sandy and stubborn, and planting has to be done with a crowbar. Still there are compensations for stubbornness in a land where tomato vines grow to a height of nine feet.

Why Some Are Bald.

The late Thomas Bone, "the sailors' missionary," was the soul of kindness, but he had a keen wit and a ready tongue, too. An instance given in his recently published life is the following:

"His work was not without its humorous side. Among the new men there were always some who sought a little amusement at his expense, but they reckoned without their host. His kindly manner never changed. The smile never left his face. There was no venom in the retort, but it seldom failed to silence the interrupter. The laugh raiser at his expense made it quite certain that no second attempt would be made.

"Seeing him approaching one day, one of a group of sailors announced his intention of having some fun. He stepped forward and removed his hat, revealing a perfectly smooth crown, and asked:

"'Can you tell me why my head is so bald, while all my companions have plenty of hair?'

"'I don't know,' was the smiling reply, 'unless the reason given me the other day by a farmer would apply, that an empty barn is not worth shingling.'"

Forestalled.

William A. Pinkerton, the head of the famous detective agency, was talking in Chicago about the interesting statistics of his recently published report.

"Yes, it is true," Mr. Pinkerton said, "that we catch the criminal more frequently that we used to. It is true, too, that knowing the criminal's ways, we forestall him—we take preventive measures that reduce crime enormously. We are like the Delmar deacon. This deacon was passing the collection plate one Sunday morning. When he came to a certain penurious Delmar citizen, he noticed that the man extended towards the plate, not a hand with a coin displayed between finger and thumb, but a tightly closed fist. The deacon frowned at the fist, and jerked the plate back from it.

"'Give it to me, Mr. Keene,' he whispered audibly. 'One has just come off my vest.'"

The Turn She Did.

The stage blonde—Did you ever give one of those open-air performances?

The stage brunette—Yes. I did a turn at one yesterday.

"How did that happen?"

"I stepped off a trolley car backward when it was going at top speed."

No Show at All.

"I think it's wrong for a married man to gamble."

"It's worse than wrong. It's idiotic. His wife gives him fits if he loses and confiscates the proceeds if he wins."

The Climate Chaser.

"Who is that man who is afraid to sit in a draft?"

"I don't know," answered Miss Cayenne. "He is probably one of those people who think nothing of traveling a thousand miles to get where there is a breeze."—Washington Star.

A Gentle Hint.

Tom—So your uncle has died and left you a fortune? I suppose you have received oceans of congratulations.

Jack—I should say I have. Why, even my tailor remembered me. He sent me a bunch of forget-me-nots.—Boston Transcript.

LURED BY CALL OF THE WILD.

Pittsburg Heiress Plays Role of Real Hobo After Quitting Home.

Alienists who have been called into consultation are unable to explain the wanderlust that has obsessed Miss Mary Patterson, a wealthy young society girl. She was taken into custody at Waukesha, Wis., after a period of wandering since Thanksgiving day.

During her nine months' absence the girl, plentifully supplied with money from her father's estate, scorned the comforts and the luxury of Pullman and dining cars and chose the favored abode of every real hobo—the box car well filled with damp excelsior, and a handout whenever it could be procured.

There were no real home troubles to explain her wanderings, the New York World's Pittsburg correspondent says. Mrs. Mary Patterson, the girl's mother, is a woman of wealth and unquestioned society position, as well as being an indulgent parent. The only explanation the alienists have is that the lure of the road called the girl and she answered.

The estate of her father was settled several days before Thanksgiving day. The girl was at her home the morning of that day, but when she was called to dinner there was no response. She had departed for parts unknown.

For months no trace of the girl could be discovered, although detective agencies were employed in the case. Recently, however, Mrs. Patterson received a long-distance call. The voice of her daughter could be plainly distinguished. The girl sent her love to the family, but refused to give them any information as to her whereabouts. Inquiries at the telephone exchange proved that the message came from Chicago.

Then the girl appeared in Waukesha and registered at the Springs City Hotel as M. E. Graham of Clinton, Iowa. The attention of the hotel attaches was attracted to the young woman by her peculiar actions, among them being a propensity for sleeping on the floor of her room and bringing up food from the dining hall to eat cold.

When the police were notified Miss Patterson disappeared. Search by the authorities was instituted, and the girl was found prowling about the Milwaukee yards seeking a convenient box car. She was taken in custody and imprisoned in the home of the sheriff.

Miss Patterson was indignant and demanded her release. Later she attempted to escape. Asked as to her identity and residence, she refused to make any statement, but during the questioning mentioned the name of Dr. Seip of Pittsburg. Through him her mother was notified. Force was necessary to compel her return to Pittsburg.

An Honest Boy Rewarded.

Honesty is appreciated—even among politicians. During a recent political convention in North Carolina a newsboy named Cicero Alexander sold a paper to a delegate who gave him a dollar and was to wait for his change. The boy on returning, could not find his customer and began to cry. The chairman of the convention, impressed by his honesty, announced the matter before the whole assemblage—the result being not only that the man who had the change coming to him let the boy have it, but a collection of $10.35 was taken up for him by the delegates. Some one shouted that the youngster should be made State treasurer, and by unanimous vote the convention recommended him for chief page in the legislature.

Visiting Day.

Mrs. A was more shocked that amused when, in reply to her question, "Who was at Sunday school this morning;" her 4-year-old daughter said, "Everybody but Jesus."

"Why, my dear," said Mrs. A., "wherever did you get such an idea;"

"He was out visiting this morning," the little lady confidently said.

"Daughter," said Mrs. A., "who told you such a story?"

"Nobody didn't tell me, mother, but they just kept [illegible] it over and over again: [illegible] He's calling to-day [illegible]."

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"That was an error," said Senator Beveridge, apropos of an opponent's argument at a dinner in Indianapolis. "Our friend made an embarrassing error. He reminds me of John Winslow. He spent his honeymoon at Niagara. He left the bridal apartment late one night to bathe and on his return knocked, as he supposed, on his wife's door, calling softly:

"'Honey!'

"There was no answer. Winslow knocked again.

"'Honey!'

"Still no answer. Winslow thundered on the door.

"'Honey!' he cried in a voice of agony.

"Then a reply came at last.

"'Sneak, you blooming idiot!' a male voice growled. 'This is a bedroom, not a blooming beehive.'"

An Infallible Record.

A way of deciding dates of certain important events is suggested by the following anecdote from Lippincott's. The parents of a college son were disputing as to the date of their last letter to their "hopeful," from whom, somewhat to the distress of the mother, they had not heard for some time.

"Are you sure, Thomas," asked the mother, unconvinced, "that it was on the 12th that you last wrote to Dick?"

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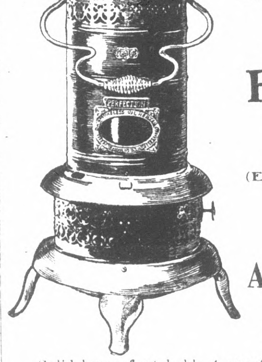

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